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- Eric Franc

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Regents pay Massengale \$152,000 per year

By GREG KOZOL

Martin Massengale stressed cooperation between campuses Tuesday after the University of Nebraska Board of Regents approved a contract that makes him the highest paid acting university president in the Big Eight Conference.

"I see a need for more cooperation," Massengale, 57, said. "I sense a desire to work together more."

In a 6-2 vote, the regents approved a threeyear contract that will pay Massengale \$152,000 in base salary each year. He will also receive benefits such as a \$22,000 expense account, a business car, and use of the NU president's home in Lincoln.

Regents Kermit Hansen and Robert Allen voted against the contract offer.

"I am honored and privileged to be named president of the University of Nebraska,"

Massengale said. "Like the song says, there's no place like Nebraska."

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UNO Chancellor Del Weber said he feels Massengale, the current chancellor of the University of Nebraska-Lincoln (UNL), will not give the Lincoln campus favored treatment.

"I don't think that's going to be a problem, Weber said. "I would agree that there is a real need for cooperation be-

tween campuses. I hope that can occur."

Massengale also said he would not play favorites. "I'm known as an objective person,"

The three NU campuses --- UNO, UNL and the University of Nebraska Medical Center -

each bring unique strengths into the entire university system, Massengale said. In July, Kearney State College will join the NU system

> as the University of Nebraska-Kearney.

"The differences between campuses are not weaknesses as I see it. They're strengths,' Massengale said. "There's a strength in that diversity.

"No single campus can serve the state," he said.

Massengale said he

plans to frequently visit the campuses to meet with chancellors and faculty senate presidents.

"It's time we move ahead with vigor," he

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All together, now

- ERIC FRANCIS

Filling the Old Market with the sounds of Christmas, a group of children sing carols at Dickens on the Market.

Helping people in another language

By Heidi Jeanne Hess

Intercambio, a new group on campus, is designed to help students learn English or Spanish as a second language.

Teresa Gouge, a UNO student who started the group, said Intercambio helps students practice their conversational skills.

Intercambio literally means exchange, giving something and getting something back, Gouge said. "In this instance, it is conversation,"

People who are learning another language need to practice speaking outside of the classroom, she said.

"There was a need for conversational practice," Gouge said.

As a Spanish and commercial arts major, Gouge said she wanted to begin such a group at UNO after teaching English in Cuernavaca, Mexico, A group, also called Intercambio, was set up to help students in Cuernavaca learn English through conversational practice. She said if the idea worked in Mexico, it would work

The group meets every Tuesday and Friday at 1 p.m. in the Student Center Nebraska Room. After 30 minutes of English conversation, the rest of the hour-long discussion is in Spanish. People from many nationalities participate

in the group. Some students are from America, Costa Rica, Bolivia, Mexico and other countries,

Because Intercambio can benefit anyone learning Spanish or English as a second language. Gouge said, she would like to expand the group to include community members and students from other schools.

Evelyn Chen, an intensive language program (ILUNO) student from Costa Rica, said Intercambio helps her understand English bet-

"Sometimes when people talk here, they talk so fast I can't understand them, and sometimes when people ask questions, I have the main idea but not the specifics," Chen said of native English-speaking people.

Chen, who received a scholarship from Costa Rica to study English in the United States, said she feels alone when people are angry or impatient with her because she doesn't understand what they are saying or when she can not find the correct word in English.

In spite of some angry or impatient reactions, she said most Americans she has met have been very nice and understanding.

"I think it (English) is a beautiful language," she said, adding that she must stop and think about whether a conversation is in the past, present or future tense.

Intercambio, Chen said, helps her to practice conversational English and gives her the opportunity to ask questions about things she has heard and does not understand.

Asking and answering questions, Gouge said, helps all the Intercambio members.

Although one member of the group, who is studying Spanish, may not understand 50 percent of the conversational Spanish, that member is learning and has the opportunity to practice, Gouge said.

Chen said learning English is important because so much information worldwide is written and spoken in English.

Chen, who has a bachelors degree in elementary school administration and learning problems from a Costa Rican university, said she is pursuing a masters degree in English.

After spending three years in the United States studying English, Chen said knowing English will be beneficial to her in her career when she returns to Costa Rica.

News -Nuggets

UNO and local information

Special events planning course offered in spring

A new course titled "Events Planning and Management" will be offered through the College of Public Administration for the spring semester. The class, which will meet Thursday evenings, will be taught by Vic Gutman of Vic Gutman and Associates.

Vic Gutman and Associates is an events planning and management company which produces events such as the Omaha Summer Arts Festival, the Renaissance Fair of the Midlands, the Nebraska Children's Festival and Celebrate UNO!

Gutman will instruct students on the comprehensive planning and implementation of festivals and special events by non-profit organizations, agencies and government in-

Although the course work is geared to enhance community development, like helping revitalize a district, promoting tourism or showcasing a community resource. Fund-raising events will also be discussed.

The class will explore such areas as organizational structure, programming, government relations, marketing, coordination and various other aspects of event planning.

The course is open to 20 students.

AIDS Peer Training to plan events

The Women's Resource Center (WRC) will host a meeting Wednesday to plan next year's AIDS Peer Training program.

Members of the Douglas County Health Department will be present, and holiday cookies and cocoa will be served during the discussion.

The meeting will run from noon and to 2 p.m. at the WRC office on the third floor of the Student Center.

Skinner to speak Monday

The Criminal Justice Student Organization will host Omaha Police Chief James Skinner, at its noon meeting in the Student Center Council Room Monday.

The organization will also sponsor a raffle. Several prizes will be raffled, including a \$500 United States Savings Bond.

UNO Wind Ensemble to perform Sunday

UNO's Symphonic Wind Ensemble will perform Sunday at 8 p.m. in the Strauss Performing Arts Center Recital Hall.

The ensemble will perform "The Army of the Nile" by Kenneth J. Alford and the "Second Suite in F for Military Band" by Gustav Holst.

The program will end with "Liturgical Dances" by David R. Holsinger, one of the leading contemporary composers of original wind compositions.

The concert is free for UNO students. faculty and staff, and tickets for the general public are \$3 for adults and \$2 for senior citizens and non-UNO students.

opinion

Should the United States go to war with Iraq?

'Can we save ourselves from ourselves?'

Aug. 2, 1990, the nation of Iraq, under the dictatorial leadership of Saddam Hussein, attacked Kuwait. Kuwait is small, but it is a large oil-producing nation. Of course, we know what we have been told.

Lately, however, we (at least I) have been sitting around reading and watching television, trying to absorb whatever news I can about our government's involvement and deployment of American reservists and active troops to the Saudi desert.

The more I read and see, the more I become confused by our involvement in this affair.

First of all, our President Bush has proclaimed that we must stop this "naked aggression." I fail to see what naked aggression has taken place outside of the Iran-Iraq War, and the invasion of Kuwait. Some might say, "Isn't this enough?"

Well, is it?

Outside of these incidents, Iraq's aggressive behavior has been limited — compared to the United States' past behavior. Trust me when I say that I wish no harm to the image or purpose of our past actions; I am simply trying to question our involvement in this affair.

I might add that Iraq and Kuwait were simply creations of a British charter. Do we, as Americans, have the right to question history?

Second, our elected president has frequently mentioned that the United States has "economic interests" in maintaining peace in the Gulf. "Economic interests" in what means? I would think that the only economic interest we might have is maintaining the amount of oil. Contrary to popular belief, America is not in short supply or immediate threat of losing its oil reserves. We now have a 22 percent increase in oil production coming into this country from Saudi Arabia and some South American countries.

Third, our elected president has told us - and the UN Security Council - about the nuclear weapons that Iraq may or may not be producing. The fact is a New York Times poll showed opinion favoring an attack on Iraq only if they had the capabilities to produce and deliver a nuclear weapon. Our administration has failed to produce evidence outside of Iraq's capabilities to deliver these supposed weapons.

Did it occur to you to ask where they got these supposed capabilities?

Iraqis acquired these capabilities from the United States and NATO allies. We gave them the computer technology, the West Germans exported triggering devices and France and the Pakistanis gave Iraq the ability to find and purify uranium in Iraq. Even the United Nations Nuclear Commission cannot disprove this.

History has shown that nuclear build-up has produced deterrence. So why is this administration so set on driving back the "madman" that has engorged the Middle East?

I think we need to ask ourselves a few questions about the current administration's policies regarding the Middle East. Maybe President Bush is just looking for a way out of the current economic crisis at home. We might consider that we are sending our friends and countrymen into a battle that has no clear purpose.

As it stands, this battle is of superficial goals, of lower prices at the gas pumps and a political battle between an oligarchic committee that is determining the course of this country.

Is it right to allow a few to determine the goals or direction of this country without our immediate consent? Is it right to arm a country with the capabilities of causing world havoc, and then place the responsibilities of destroying those capabilities on those who were not in charge of making those decisions? Could it be that this country is confused about our goals and direction? Could it be that our leaders are trying to escape from an embarrassing past? Could it simply be time for

MARK A. JONES **UNO STUDENT**

'Quickly neutralize Iraqi aggression'

Political, moral, financial and economic imperatives all dictate quickly neutralizing Iraqi aggression in the Persian Gulf by launching an incisive military response,

The allied force arrayed against Saddam Hussein is united in its desire to free Kuwait and prevent further intended Iraqi aggression, but that unity will not hold long. Several Arab countries siding with us have volatile, restive populations which in time might seek to undermine their

governments' opposition to Iraq; some of these governments already rest on uneasy footings. The life-style of Americans and the cultural attributes of our servicemen eventually may upset our Saudi hosts to the point of causing unease in that government and hostility among the religiously conservative population. Our European and Asian allies will feel consumer and business indignation if the military does not restore their oil lifelines on which they are so dependent. Hussein will use every day to propagandize the line that the U.S. insultingly uses other Arab countries as puppets to quash his Pan-Arab nationalism and bolster Israel. As he so cleverly has done already, he will continue to use the helpless hostages as bait to dismember the world alliance arrayed against him.

Morally, Americans have a duty to support our military in promptly punishing a nation that threatens and abuses our civilian hostages. We, as leader of the Free World, must assert our determination and readiness to use our armed forces, with support from home, to eradicate Middle Eastern fascism in its nascent stage, as the world remembers how appeasement and dilatory behavior fueled a later conflagration in World War II. We have an obligation to rescue the captive population of Kuwait, one of the few Arab nations that wholeheartedly cultivates American economic and military bilateral cooperation. We have a responsibility to militarily stop a tyrant who, within five years, will have ICBMs deployed with chemical and nuclear warheads, missiles capable of reaching our shores and certainly capable of incinerating Israel and blackmailing his Arab neighbors. By his dispassionate use of chemical warfare against Iran and his own Kurdish population, Hussein evidences his readiness to lay waste the entire Middle East if not vanquished utterly now. Such an unfeeling leader would not buckle under privations suffered by his people from extended economic sanctions, and he has the political apparatus to quash all dissent.

Financially, our national budget cannot bear the strain of stationing so many troops and logistical support personnel overseas for an extended period. A quick, incisive strike by allied sea, land, and air forces will avoid the heavier, later cost in military dollars and lives spent to root out entrenched Iraqi forces armed with additional sophisticated weaponry. The number of desertions over the Saudi border by Iraqi

soldiers, some with their armored equipment, reveals their deficient morale, something not guaranteed to endure Hussein's exhortations of nationalist pride. Further Iraqi stranglehold on the international oil lifeline will suffer in consumer purchasing power and industrial employment. Stalling and leaving stationary Iraq as a regional menace will

cost an outpouring of additional foreign aid to bolster neighboring militaries and governments subject to Iraqi subversion and blackmail.

Therefore, Americans actively must lobby our political and military leaders to use an early military option of maximum force, then proudly stand behind our fighting men and women as they bravely go into battle.

> Douglas Kagan, STATE CHAIRMAN FOR NEBRASKA CONSERVATIVES FOR FREEDOM

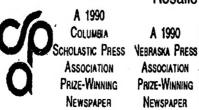


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The Gateway - a convenient stocking stuffer

Dave Bavaresco

Student Center gets a facelift

By Heidi Jeanne Hess

Watch out for construction crews in the Student Center.

The Ballroom is being remodeled as part of a four-year renovation program for the Student Center, according to Guy Conway, Student Center director.

Remodeling started Monday, and most — if not all — of the work will be done by January, he said.

The major renovations involve creating a skylight look for the ceiling with opaque white glass and a grey, art deco design, Conway said. New lighting, grey-blue drapes and new paint for the walls will also be a part of the renovation, he added.

New room dividers will replace the current accordion-style dividers between the Ballroom and the Nebraska Room. Conway said the new panels will be more soundproof than the current

"The Ballroom is part of the original building; it is 30 years old," Conway said.

Although he is not certain of the total cost of remodeling the Ballroom, Conway said the figures will be available when the project is finished.

Conway said this is the final year of the four-year remodeling program, which is not funded by student fees.

Much of the Student Center has been renovated during the past four years. New carpet was installed on the first and third floors, all of the bathrooms received "a face lift" and the elevator was refurbished, Conway said.

The area around Student Health, the Caboose, Sweet Shop, candy shop and the television lounge also have been remodeled.

Massengale signs

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Massengale's contract makes him the highest paid acting university president in the Big Eight Conference. C. Peter Magrath, president of the University of Missouri system, makes \$148,824 a year. Iowa State's Gordon Eaton made \$164,000 a year but resigned in October.

Regent John Payne of Kearney, Neb., defended Massengale's salary. "I've had some questions about \$152,000. We're talking about the Chief Executive Officer of four campuses of a major university," Payne said. "It's a pretty small pot with the budget we've got."

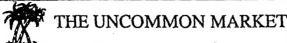
Massengale's contract becomes effective Jan. 1, 1991 and runs through Dec. 31, 1993. He has served as interim president since July 1989, when the regents removed Ronald Roskens from the presidency.





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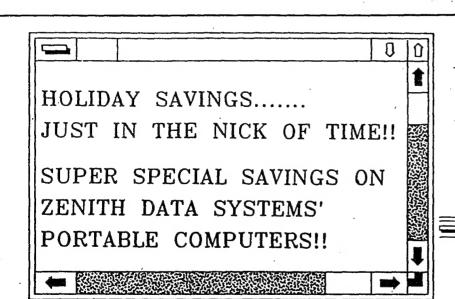
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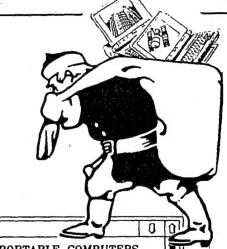
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sports

Cold shooting drops Mavericks to 4-1

By Dave Dufek

"All good things must come to an end."

That saying proved true Monday evening as the UNO Men's Basketball team lost to Pepperdine College 62-41. The loss ended the Mavs' three-game winning streak — and undefeated season start.

Pepperdine, 4-1, is an NCAA Division I school.

"They're a really good team," UNO Coach Bob Hanson said. "They're rated higher than Louisville or Notre Dame right now in Division

"Playing teams like this is giving us some really good competition," he continued. "I think we gain more from that than a game in which we win by 40 or 50 points."

Although played in Malibu, Calif., the Maverick shooting was as cold as the Nebraska winter. In previous games, the Mavericks had field goal percentages of .571 (vs. Kearney State), .494 (vs. Nebraska Wesleyan) and .593 (vs. Cal-Poly San Luis Obispo). In Monday's game, the Mavericks completed only 14 of 65 shots for a .215 average.

Pepperdine completed 25 of 54 shots for a .460 average in the contest.

The Mavericks did complete 11 of 15 free throw attempts for a .730 average, compared to Pepperdine's .590 average (10-for-17).

The Mavericks also led the Waves in rebounding, 47-40.

"We out-rebounded them, but we just didn't shoot the ball well in the second half," Hanson

Trent Neal led the Mavericks' scoring with

13 points. Teammate Thor Palamore followed with eight. Phil Cartwright and Terry Henderson added six apiece.

Cartwright led the Mavericks defensively, pulling down 12 rebounds. Troy Deane followed with eight.

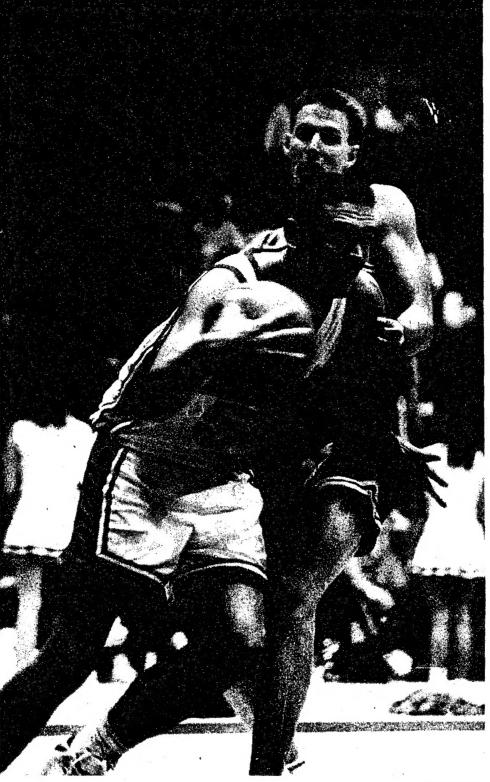
"We did a really good job defensively," Hanson said. "We weren't intimidated at all. They're just a good defensive team."

Despite the early 3-1 start, Hanson sees some room for improvement.

"The basic thing we need to work on is to get better patience," Hanson said. "We need to pass the ball more and shoot the ball better.

"We're playing a lot of people in each game and that has a lot of bearing on it at this point in the season."

The Mavericks have out shot their opponents from the field this season, .461 to .369. UNO has



Phil Cartwright, No. 50, takes it to the hoop. UNO shot only 21 percent against Pepperdine.

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This weekend's UNO hoops and wrestling

This weekend, the Lady Mavs travel to Missouri to face Missouri Western and Northwest Missouri State Friday and Saturday.

The wrestling squad will travel to Kearney to compete in the Kearney State College Invitational, to be held all day. And the men's basketball team will host Hastings College Saturday at the Fieldhouse.

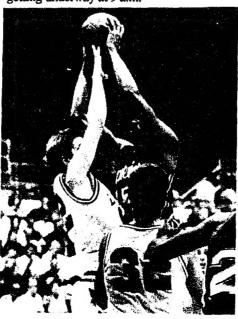
Probable starters for the Lady Mav games are Lisa Rath, Aimee Noel, Gwen Dalton, Kim Muma and Darcy Burns.

The Lady Mavs will enter this weekend's competition 2-3 after defeating Regis College 88-53 at home Dec. 1. Missouri Western is 2-3 after dropping a game to Air Force 67-52 on Nov. 30. As of Wednesday night, Northwest Missouri State was undefeated at 5-0.

The road trip comes after a home victory over Regis College for the Lady Mavs. That victory broke a three-game losing streak.

After the weekend, the Lady Mavs will face Kearney State Wednesday at Kearney. On Dec. 15 and Dec. 20, the Lady Mavs will return home to face Midland College and Doane College, respectively.

The UNO Wrestling team is set to compete in the Kearney State College Invitational. No team scoring will be kept, with the first matches getting underway at 9 a.m.



Terry Henderson stops and shoots.

The Northern Iowa Open was the last tournament for the Maverick team, with Joe Wypiszenski (177) placing third, Ted Nelson (118) placing sixth and Bill Glenn (126) placing sixth.

After the Kearney State tournament, the Mays will be idle until Jan. 11, when the Mays host Central State of Oklahoma in a dual meet — the first for the wrestling squad this season. The meet will be held during the Metro Conference High School tournament at Council Bluffs Abraham Lincoln High School at 7 p.m. The Mavs will host the Maverick Open the following day in the UNO Fieldhouse.

The UNO men's basketball team, 3-1, will host Hastings College, 2-3, at the Fieldhouse Saturday. Game time is set for 8:05 p.m.

Probable starters for the Mays are Trent Neal, Terry Henderson, Phil Cartwright, Thor Palamore and Troy Deane.

After the Hastings College contest, the Mavericks will host NCAA Division II opponent Missouri Western Dec. 15 at the Fieldhouse.

Duelling Sages Feel the power

Well, we haven't seen any steak from the Waterboy yet.

So we'll have to convince him of our prodigious prognosticating prowess (say that five times fast). To do so, we're going to give you bowl game outcomes to bet your wife on. (Whoops! We mean life, not wife.)

To kick things off, we'll take you to the ...

Poulan/Weed Eater Independence Bowl (Dec. 29, 4 p.m., Raycom)

Louisiana Tech vs. Maryland

The Weed Eater Independence Bowl? The WEED EATER Independence Bowl?! Good God, the Bugeaters have gone vegetarian.

The first question that pops into our minds was "How the hell did either of these teams get into a bowl game?" The answer: This is the Poulan/Weed Eater Independence Bowl, dammit! The bowl that picks the teams which keep their grass fields the best-looking throughout the season.

Our money is on another bowl game. Nevertheless, we agree Maryland will win this one.

Pigskin: Maryland 17, La. Tech 10 The Dude: Maryland 3, La. Tech 2

Florida Citrus Bowl (Jan. 1, 8 p.m., ABC) Georgia Tech vs. (Ahem) Nebraska

When you're driving by Memorial Stadium in Lincoln, what's the first road sign you see? "NO PASSING ZONE."

How appropriate. After the Huskers embarrassed themselves against a very average Oklahoma Sooner team, did Dr. Tom realize it might be time to open the offense up a little?

Fat chance. The same chance the Huskers have of beating the Ramblin' Wreck of Georgia Tech — this year's national champion. You heard it here first.

Pigskin: Georgia Tech 52, Nebraska 14 The Dude: Georgia Tech 35, Nebraska 7

Other Bowl Games:

All-American Bowl (Dec. 28, 8 p.m., ESPN) Pigskin: Southern Miss 24, N.C. State 10 The Dude: Southern Miss 42, N.C. State 3

Blockbuster Bowl (Dec. 28, 8 p.m., Raycom) Pigskin: Penn State 27, Florida State 24 The Dude: Florida State 21, Penn State 17

Anaheim Freedom Bowl (Dec. 29, 4 p.m.,

Pigskin: Oregon 95, Colorado State 3 The Dude: Oregon 38, Colorado State 0

Hall of Fame Bowl (Jan. 1, 1:30 p.m., ABC) Pigskin: Illinois 21, Clemson 10 The Dude: Clemson 10, Illinois 7

John Hancock Bowl (Dec. 31, 2:30 p.m., CBS) Pigskin: Michigan State 31, USC 21 The Dude: Michigan State 24, USC 10

Liberty Bowl (Dec. 27, 8 p.m., ESPN) Pigskin: Ohio State 42, Air Force 31 The Dude: Ohio State 17, Air Force 3

Domino's Copper Bowl (Dec. 31, 5 p.m., TBS) Pigskin: California 14, Wyoming 10 The Dude: Wyoming 24, California 7

BY DAVE DUFEK AND PATRICK RUNGE

Duelling Sages' Top 10 names for the Independence Bowl

- 1. Prudent Leader
- 2. Egg Beater
- 6. Stamp Licker
- 3. Nail Clipper
- Snow Spitter Miracle Whipper
- 5. Lawn Mower
- Turf Whacker 9.
- 4. Weekly Reader
- 10. Paint Thinner

GAMPUS REGREATION





RACQUETBALL STANDINGS: POOL A

NAME	\mathbf{w}	L
Rhett Kurkowski	0	2
Dale Miller	1	2
Jorge Geronimo	3	1
Dawn Brauer	2	2
Erin Sullivan	1	2
Scott Long	3	0
David Overbey	3	0
Jeff Kuhr	0	3

RAQUETBALL STANDINGS: POOL B

<u>NAME</u>	\mathbf{W}	L
Nancy Knaap	4	1
Richard DeMaranville	4	0
Martin Williams	1	3
Lisa Arnaiz	2	3
William Raleigh	0	4
Dan Kline	2	3
Stephanie Svatos	2	3
Roger Svatos	3	1

RAQUETBALL STANDINGS: POOL C

NAME	$\mathbf{\underline{W}}$	L
Tim Loundes	2	2
Mark Crouse	4	0
Mike Grauf	1	2
Tom Lehr	2	3
Charles Cirro	1	3
Andrew Best	0	4
Sean Sullivan	3	1
Steve Hutton	3	1

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•	 2. Garret VanBrocklin
	3. Jim Edwards
177 lbs.	1. Andy Launderson
	2. Nick Champion
	3. Steve Brahas
190 lbs.	 Brian Nelson
	2. Corey O'Connor
_	3. Greg Hyde
HWT.	1. Chris Doble
	2. Alfonzo Robinson
•	3. Mike Cambell

On November 28, at UNO's Field House, the Intramural Department held its Annual wrestling tournament. The event featured 32 participants wrestling in six different weight classes.

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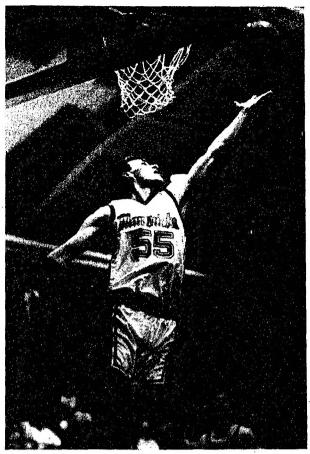
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Water, water everywhere and not a drop to drink. No one was drinking the water, but there was a whole lot of splashing going on at Campus Recreation's Student vs. Faculty Innertube Water Basketball Tournament held Monday, December 3 at the HPER pool. KPTM's Sport Announcer, Tom Zenner, gave us a hand and proved to be very agile in an innertube as he helped the faculty to lead off by a score of 10 to 6 at half time. However, the students paddled their little innertubes like crazy to come back and start off the second half of the game with 8 points in a row. The two teams played 4 quarters of 6 minutes each. Every time Coach Tom Mueller received the ball and went to make a basket, he was intercepted and pounced upon by rookie Tim Wachtler of the student team. Tim's blocking strategy involved slipping innertubes over the Coach's body just as he was about to shoot until the Coach began to resemble a human roll of lifesavers. Despite the cold temperatures and blowing snow outside, two hale and hardy souls braved winter's elements in swim trunks and scuba gear to run around campus and hand out promotional flyers. That took real courage, guys, and we'll all come and visit you in the hospital just as soon as you recooperate from your pneumonia. The faculty put up a good contest, but the students overcame them with a final score of 22-16 led by Don Umland and Tim Wachtler with 8 points a piece.

Campus Recreation extends its heartiest thanks to all students and faculty who participated in our water extravagana. We hope you had as much fun playing as we had watching.

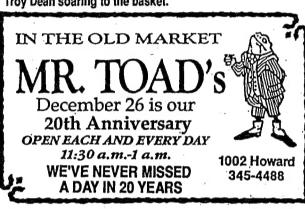


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also led opponents in free throw percentage (.756-.646), 3-point percentage (.486-.279), points (318-274), rebounds (187-147), blocked shots (23-14) and steals (38-28).

The Mavericks' leading scorer on the season is Thor Palamore with 79 points. After Palamore, Trent Neal (75), Phil Cartwright (45) and Terry Henderson (40) are the Mavs' leading scorers.

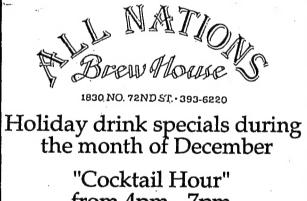
Cartwright leads the Mays in rebounds on the season with 46. Sven Bonde (21) and Palamore (18) are second and third on the boards for UNO.

Palamore's eight points Monday put him 84 points away from becoming the 21st player in school history to score over 1,000 points in a career.

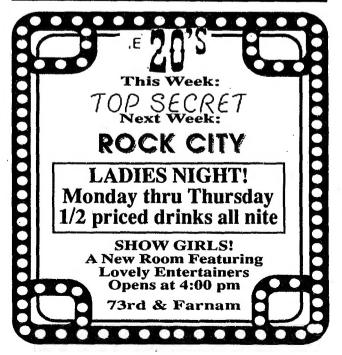
Neal also set a Maverick Milestone. During the Mavs' game with Cal-Poly San Luis Obispo, he was 8-for-8 from the field, which tied a school record for field goal shooting. He is the first











Maverick player, however, to attempt 18 shots --- and make all 18 (8-for-8 field goal, 10-for-10 free throws). That figure included a 4-for-4 record in three-point shooting.

Saturday evening, the Mavericks will take on Hastings College, 3-4, at the Fieldhouse at 8:05 p.m.

"I know their record is 3-4," Hanson said. "But they're a good team. They played Kearney State (an 87-78 loser to UNO) to an overtime game, so they're not that bad."

The Mavericks lead the all-time series with Hastings six games to five. UNO lost the last contest 95-90.



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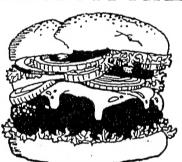


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'Burn This' shows how love can really get in the way

REVIEW BY PATRICK RUNGE

"Burn This," University Theatre's latest production, focuses on how passion can disrupt one woman's life and how denying those passions can be worse.

The play, written by Lanford Wilson and directed by Stephanie Anderson, will be shown daily through Monday at 8 p.m. in the Studio Theatre, Arts and Science room 214.

The entire play takes place in the apartment of two roommates, Anna (Susan Nich) and Larry (Marty Magnuson). The play starts with Anna, a dancer, returning home from the funeral of Robby, a close friend, fellow dancer and roommate.

Anna is angered by the lack of understanding Robby's bluecollar family had toward his dancing and his homosexuality. Both Larry and Burton (B.J. Tobin) try to get Anna to put her anger behind her and get on with her life as it had been before Robby's death.

But Anna's life is disrupted, Robby's older brother, Pale (Marco Garlick). Pale came to Anna's loft to pick up Robby's things, and she feels an immediate attraction towards him.

and Anna tries to cut off the budding relationship. But all she manages to do is throw herself into her new job as a choreogra-

The first dance she creates is called "Pale and Anna." By the end of the play, both realize that, while they still are not "good" for each other, their passions cannot be denied.

"Burn This" is a fascinating look in-

side the lives of four people and how they deal with the complexities life offers them. The atmosphere of the Studio Theatre makes the viewer feel like a voyeur standing outside the window of the apartment, watching these people live their lives.

The performance, while starting out slow and a bit stilted, warmed into excellent character studies as the play progressed.

Nich performed beautifully as a woman trying to keep her life stable as her world is turned upside down, while Garlick was very convincing, rough and uncouth on the outside but inwardly

Anna and Pale both realize a relationship would not work out, complex. Tobin also turned in a credible performance as the jilted, frustrated lover.

But the show was truly stolen by Magnuson's performance

as Anna's best friend Larry. Magnuson gave us someone who cared deeply for his friend Anna and, through jokes and sarcasm, was able to help Anna through the confusion her emotions put her through.

The play is not for everyone, however. It has an adult theme, dealing with homosexuality and its acceptance, as well as sex. The profanity level is also fairly

high, especially from Pale. "Burn This" is probably not a play you would want to take the kids to see.

But if you do want to see a touching, believable story about love, the oldest and most beautiful of topics, then "Burn This" is a play you do want take yourself to see.

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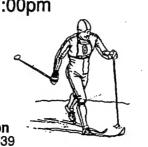
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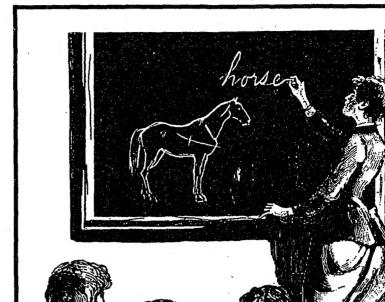
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'A package from home is a welcome gift'

Soldiers in Saudi Arabia remembered at Christmas

By STACIE HAWKES

Ithough the Christmas season traditionally brings families together, the current Middle East crisis is forcing many people to celebrate the holidays apart.

But one Omaha woman still believes there are many reasons to be thankful during the holiday season — about 300,000 of them. This season she is sending greetings to soldiers serving in the Persian Gulf.

Barbara Ghali started her holiday gift giving last month with \$15 and a good idea.

She wanted to send a special care package to a soldier, without a family, stationed in the Middle East.

"I heard of a number of soldiers who were stationed in the Middle East and did not have families," Ghali said. "I felt that those soldiers needed to know that people back home cared about them."

The boxes contain one pound of mixed nuts, one pound of hard candy, Kool-aid mix, a paperback book, a game or puzzle and two tins of fruit cocktail along with two spoons and two napkins "to promote sharing."

After telling a friend about sending the package, Ghali was asked to send another package on her behalf.

"A friend asked me to send a package for her. Then, a friend of hers wanted one also, and it snowballed," she said.

This "snowball" effect continued and now includes business sponsorship. One local hair salon showed its support.

"The staff at Stephen's Hair Salon decided that they wanted to help. So they put a jar out on the front counter with a label that explained what we were doing," Ghali said. "The employees even put part of their tips in the jar every day." Ghali said the response was overwhelming, allowing her to send a total of 35 boxes to soldiers.

"The Mid-city Optimist Club gave me enough cashews to fill 18 boxes (with a pound of nuts each)," she said, adding that the West Dodge Optimist Club also donated money to send 10 boxes.

Ghali said she included the names of everyone who contributed in a Christmas card and hopes to hear from the soldiers

"I hope the soldiers will write back to us and tell us what they need. This is a project that should continue beyond the holidays," she said.

If you are interested in sending a gift to soldiers stationed in the Middle East, there are certain guidelines that must be followed.

Jeff Tylo, a spokesperson for the Offutt Air Force Base Public Affairs Department, said there are several items that cannot be included in a care package. Alcohol, narcotics and firearms cannot be sent. Because of different religious standards, products containing pork also cannot be sent, and literature that could be considered pornographic should not be included.

Tylo said a good standard to follow is to remember that the / Moslem religion considers publications such as the *Sports Illustrated*'s Swimsuit Issue to be pornographic.

Tylo said magazines like *Good Housekeeping*, *Time* and *Newsweek* can usually pass through customs checkpoints.

Tylo said useful items are a good bet.

"Dried, pre-sweetened beverages, like Kool-aid, are good choices because they (the soldiers) have to drink a lot of water over there, and the drink mixes help add flavor to the water," Tylo said.

Other gifts in high demand include batteries of all sizes, peanuts or hard candy and newspapers from home.

"Many troops that are stationed in the desert really have no access to news and have no idea what's going on back at

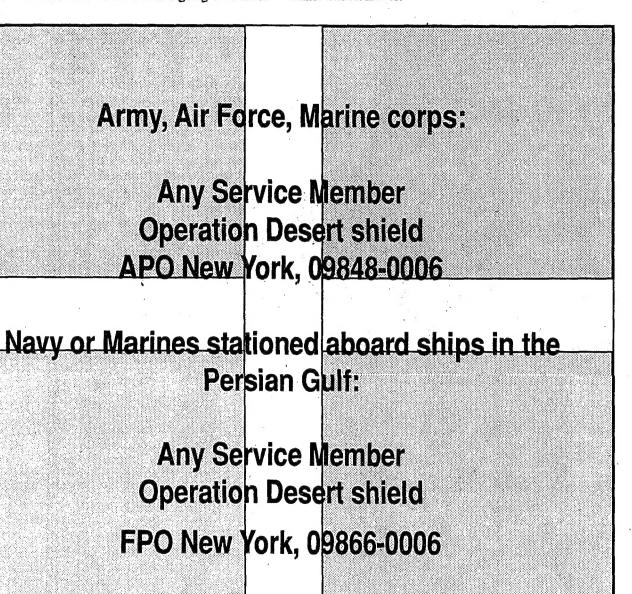
home," Tylo said. "Sure, by the time they get the newspapers that news is old news, but it still means a lot to them."

Tylo recommends labelling each package according to its contents and indicating whether the package is intended for a man or woman.

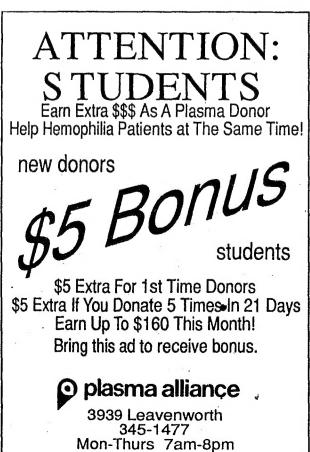
According to Dave Failor, a spokesperson for the Omaha Post Office, a package sent today would take about seven days to reach the Middle East; although once they reach that destination, it is the military's responsibility to get the packages to the soldiers.

Even though packages will arrive after Christmas, Ghali said she plans to continue sending greetings.

"After all, a package from home is a welcome gift, no matter when it arrives."

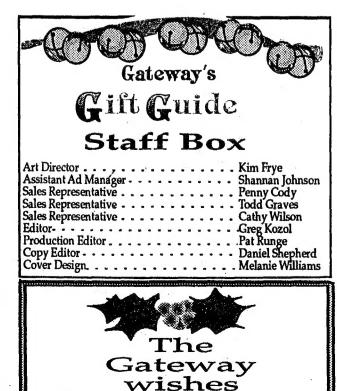






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'It's fun to make things'

By Sarah Smock



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Luckily for the retail industry, many people don't follow through with the idea. But if present trends are any indication, retailers might have to watch out.

"In the last few years, the trend has been toward handmade or homernade items," said Susie Jarosz, owner of Zena's Knit'N

Jan Kammerer, manager of Leewards, said she has also seen the trend toward homemade gifts increase in the last few years.

"I think the economy has something to do with it this year," Kammerer said. "And maybe it's to make them more personal-

Personalizing gifts is the major reason UNO student Greg Creswell said he makes Christmas

"I think it's fun to make things," he said. Creswell said making gifts takes a lot more

effort than buying them.

"It takes a lot longer, and you have to remember what people like," he said.

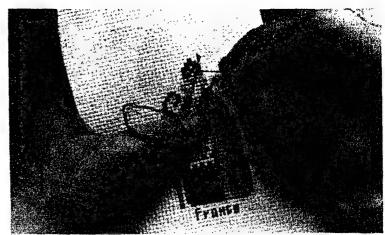
Food gifts make up a lot of the gifts Creswell gives to people during the holidays. He said he prepares many different types of breads, cookies, jellies and fudge.

Jarosz said Creswell is definitely not alone in giving homemade Christmas gifts.

'It used to be an older group, but I've seen a small group of men and all different ages of people," she said.

Although the number of people making homemade gifts is increasing, Jarosz and Kammerer said many people shy away from it because they are afraid of failing.

Both women suggested that people interested in making homemade gifts take classes to learn a particular skill.



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Kammerer said making sweatshirts with transfers or painted scenes on them is fairly easy and inexpensive.

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Although the level of involvement in homemade gift giving differs from person to person, all three said the opportunity to personalize gifts is the main reason people make the effort rather than fight the crowds at the mall.

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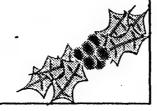


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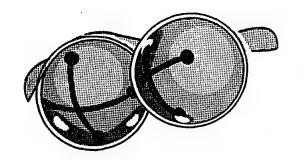
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Western Heritage Museum: "Christmas at Union Station" Choral groups and performers will entertain with special holiday music today from 1 to 5 p.m.

Strauss Performing Arts Center: "Selected Artwork Sale" from 1 p.m. to 8 p.m.

MONDAY, DEC. 10

THEATER:

Circle Theatre at Vidlak's Family Cafe: "Lonesome Polecat Christmas" at 8 p.m. (dinner at 7 p.m.)

University Studio Theatre: "Burn This" at 8 p.m. (room 214)

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TUESDAY, DEC. 11

THEATER:

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Omaha Community Playhouse: "A Christmas Carol" at 8 p.m.

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WEDNESDAY, DEC. 12

THEATER:

Omaha Community Playhouse: "A Christmas Carol" at 8 p.m.

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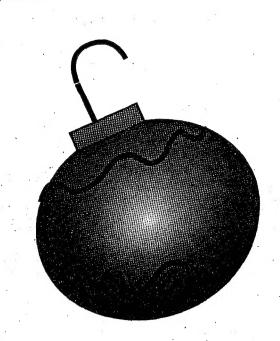
Circle Theatre at Vidlak's Family Cafe: "Lonesome Polecat Christmas" at 8 p.m. (dinner at 7 p.m.) Grande Olde Players: "Pickwick's Holiday" at 2 p.m. Omaha Community Playhouse: "A Christmas Carol" at 8 p.m.

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'It's our gift to the community'

Council Bluffs natives say why they like lights



'You can get just about anything for a cat'

By PATRICK RUNGE



he tree is trimmed, the lights are on the house and you have gifts for Mom, Dad and Uncle Sid bought and wrapped. You're ready for Christmas, right?

Hold on a second. Have you bought a gift for your pet?

"People buy all kinds of toys for their cats," said Rory Heaton of Kitty, Kitty, Kitty, a store specializing in cat parapher-

nalia.

Heaton said at Christmas time, people start thinking about what to get their favorite Tabby for the holidays. At Christmas, business at the store "doubles, at least," Heaton said.

"People treat their cats like kids." he said. "They want to buy

them something that will drive them crazy."

There are many things to put in your favorite feline's stocking come Dec. 25.

"Probably the most popular gift item is catnip," Heaton said, "Either catnip or some other kind of food."

While the cat's stomach may be the first thing most gift buyers think of, Heaton said wearing apparel is also a popular item.

"You can get just about anything for a cat to wear, from bandanas to bow ties," he said.

Toys for the cat to play with are also popular, Heaton said. Available are such things as fishing poles with strings on the end for the cat to chase, stuffed mice and a device on a wire which "makes the cat think there is something flying in the air," Heaton said.

A more modern gift-giving idea is to turn your cat into a couch

potato. Kitty videos are another possibility for the cat who has everything.

"Kitty videos are videocassettes showing birds, fish and other things to attract the cat's attention," he said. "The cat will sit and watch the tape and bat at the things on the screen."

Caution should be exercised with these tapes, however. A warning on the box reminds users to remove all breakables from around the television area before allowing your cat to view the tape.

While all these gifts may please cat owners, what do the cats think of it? To find out, I bought a kitty bow tie for my own cat, a Siamese named Samson.

"What do you think of this, Samson?" I asked, showing him

"Mrowr," he replied, slinking off to play with the curtain rod. I guess there's just no pleasing some people.

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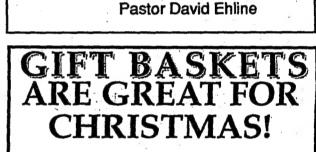
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'There will be eating, singing and lighting'

Jews celebrate eight-day Hanukkah holiday

BY DANIEL SHEPHERD



or some students, there truly is "light" at the memorating Hanukkah. end of this semester.

UNO professor Richard Freund will host second night at the university," he said. a candle-lighting ceremony for the Jewish Student Organization Wednesday at the celebrates the Jews' victory over a non-Jewish group in 165 B.C. University Religious Center, 101 N. Happy Hollow Blvd.

ing," said Freund, an ordained rabbi.

Although the group met regularly during the semester, he said

the candle-lighting ceremony will be a special meeting com-

"The first night they can be at home with their family, the

Hanukkah, an eight-day holiday from Tuesday to Dec. 18,

"Hanukkah is a minor holiday," said Paul Drazen, the rabbi of Beth El Synagogue, 210 S. 49th St. "It is blown out of There will be eating, singing and light- proportion essentially because it being around the same time of year as Christmas."

Drazen said the holiday is not referred to in the Bible.

"The accounts that we have of it are from the Apocrypha," he said.

The Apocrypha is a collection of books not included in the

"For Jewish holidays, they (the Apocrypha) are relatively new, and when you rank holidays in terms of importance, it's the ones in the Bible that get top billing," he said. "This is not one of the top 10 holidays."

Drazen said Hanukkah commemorates the historical rededication of the temple in Jerusalem for Jewish worship.

"It does represent the retaking of the temple from nonsympathetic forces," he said.

However, Drazen said whether the war was a civil war or a war against non-sympathetic forces remains unclear.

"What was known is that the Jewish temple was being used for non-Jewish worship," he said. "It needed to be cleaned and rededicated, and it was the victory against whoever they were fighting that allowed them the opportunity to re-dedicate the temple."

Drazen said many people believe eight candles are lit during Hanukkah because it represents a miracle which happened after the temple was re-dedicated. He said the "eternal light," which was to be placed next to the alter, burned for eight days with one day's supply of oil.

"The whole idea that there is more light at the end than at the beginning is because it is part of the miracle that the little oil actually got stronger and brighter."

However, Drazen said the actual reason Hanukkah is celebrated for eight days and a candle is lit on each day because it is the recelebration of Sukkoth, also called the Feast of Tabernacles or the Harvest Festival.

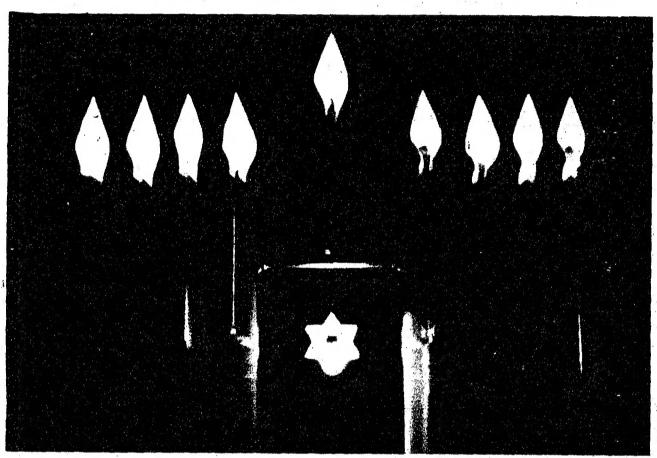
"Hanukkah is eight days long because it is the re-celebration of the Festival of Sukkoth that they because the temple was defiled at that point," he said "But everybody knows the story of the eight days of oil."

Drazen compared the misconception of the origin of Hanukkah customs to the use of tinsel during Christmas.

"Well, there's probably 12 million different reasons (people use tinsel at Christmas). None of them have to do with anything more than the fact that somebody probably brought a tree in once, and it froze," he said.

Drazen said traditional Hanukkah customs include lighting candles, eating food cooked in oil and gift giving.

"In America, potato pancakes are very big," he said. "In Israel, people eat jelly donuts."



- ED CARLSON

A menorah . . . Used to mark the celebration of Hanukkah.



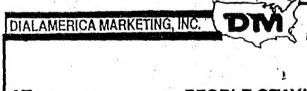
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